

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~24th June, 1960COCOM Document 3715.01/7BCOORDINATING COMMITTEERECORD OF DISCUSSIONONITEM 1501: COMMUNICATION, NAVIGATION, DIRECTION FINDING AND RADAR EQUIPMENT23rd June, 1960

Present: Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, Turkey,
United Kingdom, United States.

References: COCOM Documents 3715.01/1 to 6.

1. The UNITED KINGDOM Delegate reminded the Committee of the long discussions in the last months of 1959 on various redefinition proposals for Item 1501. These discussions were continued in January 1960: on January 25th (record of discussion COCOM Document 3715.01/4) and on January 28th (record of discussion COCOM Document 3715.01/5).
2. Certain proposals had been put forward by the United States Delegation which were contained in paragraph 2 of COCOM Document 3715.01/4 and by the United Kingdom Delegation in paragraph 7 of the same document. In the discussion on January 28th the Committee agreed to the redefinition proposals contained in document 3715.01/4, with the exception of the French Delegation, and the United Kingdom delegate in paragraph 15 of document 3715.01/5 asked the French Delegation to reconsider their position or to suggest some other way of excluding from the definition of Item 1501 equipment which, in the view of the great majority of Member Governments, no longer warranted retention under embargo.
3. Subsequently, arrangements were made for the exchange of technical views on a bilateral basis between experts of the French Air Ministry and of the United Kingdom Ministry of Aviation. On the technical level, agreement was reached that the French authorities had no objection to the United States proposal provided that all references to D.M.E. equipment were excluded for the reason that, in their view, D.M.E. equipment had direct military application and was certainly so used in France. On the United Kingdom side the experts could agree that D.M.E. equipment should not yet be excluded.
4. In view of the favourable climate of the technical discussions in May the United Kingdom Delegate now asked the French Delegate whether the French Delegation was able to lift its previous objections and to agree to the revised definition proposals contained in document 3715.01/4.
5. The FRENCH Delegate said that he could ~~subscribe~~ to the main points of his United Kingdom colleague's statement, as at the close of the technical discussions in May the French experts had appeared ready to join in the views of the United Kingdom experts. Before taking up a final position on this matter, however, he wished to consult the competent experts. He undertook to make known his reply within a week from the date of issue of the French text of the present document.

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